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REMARKS

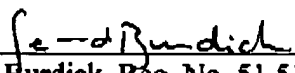
Claims 1-27 are pending in the application. Applicants place this Application in condition for allowance by canceling claims 10, 11, 24, 26 and 27, and by amending claims 14 and 15. Claim 27 was a new claim added in the previous non-entered Amendment. Claims 14 and 15 are amended to express dependency in singular form from claim 9 only, since a multiple dependent claim (14, 15) may not depend from another multiple dependent claim (9).

In view of the above, Applicants believe that claims 1-9, 12-23 and 25 are now allowable. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner pass these claims to issuance.

Applicants believe no fees are due for filing this Response. If any additional fees associated with this Response are in fact due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Howrey Deposit Account No. 08-3038 for the same. Kindly make reference to Howrey Dkt. No. 01339.0005.00US01 when debiting any fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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